

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No 05-1044-B5; (EX04-044C-US))**

In the Application of:)
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Costa <i>et al.</i>)
) Examiner: Gebreyesus, Kagne H.
Serial No.: 10/556,937)
) Group Art Unit: 1656
Filing Date: October 31, 2006)
) Confirmation No. 6980
For: MARKs as Modifiers of the)
PTEN Pathway and Methods)
Of Use)

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on June 2, 2008 in the above-mentioned application. Applicants submit herewith a petition for a three month extension of time and the appropriate fee. It is believed that no further fee is due in connection with this filing. However, if a fee is due the Commissioner is authorized to charge our deposit account 13-2490.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.